## **HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 37**

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A RESOLUTION recognizing Maury and Gail Davis for twenty years of service to the Cornerstone Church in Madison.

WHEREAS, it is fitting that this General Assembly recognize and salute the exemplary work of individual church leaders who dedicate years of their lives impacting and improving the lives of their respective congregants; and

WHEREAS, two such noteworthy individuals are Maury Davis, Senior Pastor at Cornerstone Church in Madison, Tennessee, and his wife, Gail Davis; and

WHEREAS, Pastor Davis first began working for the church at the age of twenty-seven, when he joined the staff of Calvary Temple in Irving, Texas, under the leadership of Pastor J. Don George; and

WHEREAS, at Calvary Temple, Pastor Davis met and married his wife, Gail, and in 1986 they became the proud parents of triplets Galen, Gabrielle, and Danielle; in 1994, son, Dillon joined the family, and

WHEREAS, after five years at Calvary Temple, Pastor Davis answered the call to full-time evangelism, and the young family traveled across the United States preaching at churches, youth camps, and Bible schools, as well as speaking to teens in public schools; and

WHEREAS, in 1991, after preaching one Sunday at the two-hundred-fifty-member

Cornerstone Church in Madison, Tennessee, Pastor Davis was offered the position of Senior

Pastor; and

WHEREAS, Pastor Davis accepted the appointment and, for the past two decades, he and his wife have cultivated the growth of Cornerstone Church. The church now has an

average attendance of more than 4,000 people and occupies a vast complex of more than 200,000 square feet of facilities sitting on more than forty acres of property; and

WHEREAS, through the church, the Davises have aided the planting of several churches throughout the United States and more than 2,000 churches throughout the world; and

WHEREAS, under their astute guidance, Cornerstone Church has given more than \$15.5 million to fund outreach missions throughout the world and produces a weekly television broadcast which reaches more than 120,000 viewers in Middle Tennessee, but perhaps their proudest moments have been witnessing thousands of individuals accepting the gospel of Christ; and

WHEREAS, for twenty years, Pastor Maury and Gail Davis have served as the cornerstones of Cornerstone Church, and it is wholly fitting that they be recognized by this body; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED SEVENTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, that we hereby recognize Pastor Maury Davis and Gail Davis on the occasion of their twentieth anniversary as the leaders of Cornerstone Church, extending our best wishes for their every future success.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.

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